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Floyd's Fork Technical Advisory Committee to Meet March 27

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Feb. 26, 2013) – The Floyds Fork Technical Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, March 27, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST at the offices of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) located at 9818 Bluegrass Parkway in Louisville. The meeting will address high-level technical concepts regarding the development of nutrient total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) for Floyds Fork.

"Total Maximum Daily Load" is a term used to describe the amount of pollution a stream can receive and still meet water quality standards. Water quality standards are regulations based on federal or state law that set numeric or narrative limits on pollutants. TMDLs are required for water bodies that are determined to be impaired. Floyds Fork currently fails to meet state standards for recreation and aquatic life.

The Floyds Fork watershed is located in north-central Kentucky and drains portions of Henry, Oldham, Shelby, Jefferson, Spencer and Bullitt counties. The entire watershed is 284 square miles, which is more than 180,000 acres.

For more information about this meeting, contact the DOW via email at FloydsFork@ky.gov or the U.S. EPA Region 4, via email at floydsfork@epa.gov. All inquiries regarding EPA's approach to developing the Floyds Fork TMDL model should be directed to Tim Wool, EPA Region 4, at wool.tim@epa.gov or 404-562-9260.

Additional information regarding the Floyds Fork TMDL development process and past meetings can be found at http://water.ky.gov/watershed/Pages/FloydsFork.aspx.